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- 1. A well-known Bucharest architect called Calmanovici, proprietor of a building enterprise, handed over his business, complete with all installations and materials, to the Ministry of Construction in 1947 in advance of the coming nationalization. He was a Communist. In 1948 this enterprise was amalgamated with the CISSA, an enterprise belonging to five or six Communist architects executing public buildings under the control of the Party, and with the Municipal Enterprise for Popular Housing. The new company was called CIC (Center of Construction Enterprises) and was attached to the Ministry of Construction. In 1949 CIC was split into three enterprises; Muntenia, Ardealul, and Sovromconstructia. In 1950 Muntenia and Ardealul became independent enterprises working under the control of a department of the Ministry which operated about ten such building enterprises in various parts of Rumania.
- 2. Building Enterprise No. II has its main office at Bucharest, Calea Victoriei, next to police headquarters. In 1951, the enterprise was working on 20 to 30 buildings in Bucharest, which included such public buildings as ministries and military buildings, and working the Danube-Black Sea Canal. A large depot (called Sebastian) for materials including timber, iron, cement, lime, and the like, is located at Calea Rahovei. A railway-siding leads to the depot, where 200 to 250 workers are employed. The entire enterprise employs between 4,000 and 5,000 workers; nearly all of them are men in their thirties. Technical and administrative personnel number about 700 employees with an average age 27 45.
- The enterprise has the following departments; Technical, Administration, Financing, Bookkeeping, Trapsport, Materials, Canal, and several Cadres.
- 4. Enterprise No. II _ concerned mainly with the building of houses. Among

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them are:

- a. Palatul Scanteia, a building which is not yet finished, nor does it seem likely to be so for another eight or ten years.
- b. The palace of the Ministry of Construction itself, located on Blvd. Elisabeta near the Cismigiu Park, which was enlarged during 1951.
- The barracks in Calea Plevnei.
- d. The works at the Danube-Black Sea Canal, which is carried out by a special department.

The planned schedule of work is never completed, mainly because of the shortage of finished supplies, especially sanitary and plumbing equipment.

5. In 1950, work to a value of 2,000 million lei was planned but was not completed. The enterprise rejeived its funds directly from the Investments Bank, to which all wash had to be remitted daily.

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